means of communication. The user is not expected to be familiar with the currently widespread user interface paradigm like windows, slidebars and pull down menus. The projected cost of the Simputer is Rs. 9000/- at large volumes. It can take Smart Cards and this enables it to be shared by a community. A local community such as the village panchayat, the village school, a kiosk, a village postman or even a shopkeeper should be able to loan the device to individuals for some length of time and then pass it on to others in the community. This would reduce the cost per user. Applications in diverse sectors such as micro banking, large data collection, agricultural information and as school laboratory are possible at an affordable price.

Plantation programmes

*379. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of plantation programmes being implemented in different parts of the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan, State-wise;

(b) the progress and achievements made so far;

(c) whether Government have taken any steps to achieve the targets for those programmes effectively in different States; and

(d) if so, the details thereon?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU): (a) The major Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Ministry of Environment & Forests in which plantation activities are undertaken are as under:—

(i) Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Development Project Scheme (IAEPS)

(ii) Area Orientetd Fuelwood and Fodder Project Scheme (AOFFP)

(iii) Conservation and Development of Non-Timber Forest Produce (including medicinal plants) Scheme (NTFP)

(iv) Association of Schedule Tribe and Rural Poor in Regeneration of Degraded Forests on Usufruct Sharing Basis Scheme (ASTRP)

(b) to (d) The State-wise details of financial progress and the physical progress achieved under the programmes are furnished at Statement-I and Statement-II respectively (*See* below) . However, in respect of ASTRP, an area of 10639 ha. has been covered against the target of 16747 ha. upto 2000-01. The performance of the schemes is reviewed periodically through quarterly and annual progress reports. Subsequent release of funds is subject to satisfactory utilisation of the central assistance provided earlier.

Statement - I

Financial Progress during 9th Five Year Plan (1997-98 to 2000-01)

Financial : Rs. in Lakh

Sl. No.	Name of State	NTFP		IAEPS		AOFFP		ASTRP	
		San	Rel	San	Rel	San	Rel	San	Rel
1.	Andhra Pradesh	567.43	370.38	634.97	539.71	525.95	450.97	47.968	47.968
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	106.81	45.00	214.12	200.01	30.74	22.28	53.810	31.990
3.	Assam	241.22	136.50	369.78	224.75	697.52	286.47	0.000	0.000
4.	Bihar	188.58	88.00	282.12	190.80	585.61	275.52	67.743	66.950
5.	Goa	63.76	63.28	0	0.00	29.12	16.58	0.000	0.000
6.	Gujarat	526.97	424.61	446.66	330.02	830.47	711.8	77.220	61.800
7.	Haryana	149.34	148.34	343.35	330.82	1100.10	1044.3	0.000	0.000
8.	Himachal Pradesh	142.53	99.81	230.18	169.11	611.46	515.02	0.000	0.000
9.	J&K	772.08	569.25	1332.40	1148.97	620.35	162.64	74.529	75.248
10.	Karnataka	263.90	229.84	695.90	508.93	707.06	503.46	102.368	82.440
11.	Kerala	132.07	72.95	1412.98	1166.73	341.22	334.77	0.000	0.000
12.	Madhya Pradesh	712.41	405.80	1767.53	1190.78	2359.60	1398.80	191.612	215.410
13.	Maharashtra	432.43	214.17	967.79	398.60	384.35	261.16	115.509	63.095
14.	Manipur	261.06	237.55	1382.44	1178.86	824.69	404.27	66.085	60.685
15.	Meghalaya	81.95	54.39	33.21	24.91	101.88	0	0.000	0.000
16.	Mizoram	223.57	194.17	511.47	470.35	791.48	777.06	44.550	44.550
17.	Nagaland	124.78	69.00	136.78	132.24	54.25	24.10	43.690	15.795
18.	Orissa	517.04	399.16	2542.47	1145.26	494.71	373.00.	41.650	0.000
19.	Punjab	126.76	58.50	392.22	123.99	955.31	190.12	0.000	0.000
20.	Rajasthan	555.25	444.62	1537.82	1304.88	761.13	735.14	84.240	72.970
21.	Sikkim	401.05	401.05	671.09	598.52	275.12	262.23	0.000	0.000
22.	Tamil Nadu	117.68	87.75	278.59	102.57	546.98	411.31	0.000	0.000
23.	Tripura	77.88	60.71	341.59	252.85	234.74	187.49	35.324	21.800
24.	Uttar Pradesh	312.48	136.00	1698.65	1379.06	1223.90	900.51	0.000	0.000
25.	West Bengal	275.86	231.91	608.78	433.48	748.92	699.38	28.670	14.670
26.	Pondicherry	0	0.00	41.62	20.12	0	0	0.000	0.000
	Total :	7334.90	5242.74	18874.50	13566.32	158.37	109.48	1074.968	875.371

Statement-II

Statement showing Physical Progress during Ninth Five Year Plan (1997-98 to 2000-01)

Physical : Area in ha.

Sl. No.	Name of State	NTFP		IAEPS		AOFFP	
		Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4665	4653	9571	9233	9744	9064
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1155	590	2183	1860	880	360
3.	Assam	1693	1300	2750	2250	12400	8293
4.	Bihar	725	0	2700	1510	8109	2698
5.	Goa	715	520	0	0	390	365
6.	Gujarat	1795	1745	1840	1840	12325	10185
7.	Haryana	805	705	2445	2445	10675	10606
8.	Himachal Pradesh	990	810	2460	1900	11515	11364
9.	J&K	5187	4749	12122	10168	12810	4288
10.	Karnataka	1382	1539	5412	4558	11844	10327
11.	Kerala	490	274	11219	11309	3490	3203
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3855	2836	16190	14875	49125	42764
13.	Maharashtra	1840	1240	8350	3083	5988	4636
14.	Manipur	2010	940	9778	9808	10500	8270
15.	Meghalaya	400	400	250	250	2400	800
16.	Mizoram	1800	1200	3400	3400	14000	12500
17.	Nagaland	1392	405	1925	1925	1280	293
18.	Orissa	5800	4725	25030	12225	13465	11833
19.	Punjab	860	595	2570	1170	12922	2912
20.	Rajasthan	2750	2700	9900	9150	13000	13000
21.	Sikkim	3000	3000	6200	6000	4704	3858
22.	Tamil Nadu	1030	700	1500	100	13100	10500
23.	Tripura	840	475	4385	3327	6757	5859
24.	Uttar Pradesh	3000	1100	11434	10778	20244	14959
25.	West Bengal	1597	1462	4000	3168	11942	11942
26.	Pondicherry	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL :	49776	38563	157614	126632	273608	214879

Changes in Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

†*380. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT ANF FORESTS be pleased to state:

†Orig. ..l notice of the question was received in Hindi.